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1. AT THE JULY 22 MEETING AT KKI WITH DREXLER (POLGAR ON VACATION AS OF JULY 19), HE APOLOGIZED FOR "OBVIOUS MISUNDERSTANDING" WHEN CONFRONTED WITH ARGUMENTS FOR DELETION OF ARTICLE ONE, PARA FIVE, FROM HUNGARIAN DRAFT. DREXLER SIAD IT WAS HIS IMPRESSION THIS PARTICULAR SECTION HAD ALREADY BEEN DELETED. AFTER CONSULTING HIS RECORDS HE ASSURED APAO THAT DELETION OF THIS ITEM HAD INDEED OCCURRED.

2. (FYI: AT JULY 12 MEETING BETWEEN P&C OFFICERS AND POLGAR, AT WHICH DREXLER WAS NOT PRESENT, POLGAR DID NOT, RPT NOT MENTION THIS DELETION OF ARTICLE ONE, PARA FIVE. NOR WAS IT REFLECTED IN REVISIONS HE SUBMITTED THEN TO P&C OFFICERS.)

3. DREXLER ADDED THAT KKI CONSIDERS ARTICLE ONE, PARA THREE B, AS AN "ACCEPTABLE FORUM FOR ADDRESSING OURSELVES, WHILE DETAILING THIS PARTICULAR SECTION IN A WORKING DOCUMENT, TO AN ITEM WHICH THOUGH DELETED, CONTINUES TO BE AN ISSUE OF IMPORTANCE TO US". COMMENTING THAT WHILE "KKI APPRECIATES AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS FACTORS RESPONSIBLE FOR DEPARTMENT'S RELUCTANCE TO DEAL WITH ARTICLE ONE, PARA FIVE, AS A SEPARATE ITEM IN AGREEMENT",
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DREXLER SAID HE WAS CERTAIN THAT "EQUITABLE TREATMENT

OF DELETED ITEM'S SUBSTANCE WILL BE SOUGHT BY KKI
WITHIN FRAMEWORK AND PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE ONE, PARA
THREE B".

4. SINCE THIS COVERSTATION WITH DREXLER ELIMINATED
"ONE REMAINING PROBLEM" IN OUR NEGOTIATIONS WITH
HUNGARIANS, APAO THEN REQUESTED, PER DEPARTMENT'S
INSTRUCTIONS IN REF B, PARA 3, HUNGARIAN LANGUAGE TEXT
OF AGREED UPON ENGLISH VERSION AND WAS ADVISED BY
DREXLER THAT, DESPITE ANTICIPATED TRANSLATION
DIFFICULTIES, HUNGARIAN VERSION WILL BE SUBMITTED IN
"TEN DAYS OR SO".

5. WILL SUBMIT REQUESTED ENGLISH AND HUNGARIAN VERSIONS
ALONG WITH COMMENTS ON TRANSLATION ASAP.
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